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Digital
Possibilities

# Drag & Drop Content Management For Government Websites

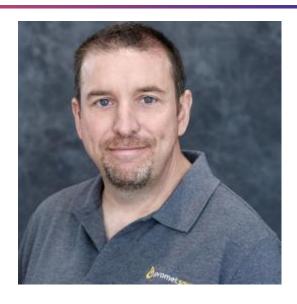
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# **Speakers**



Aaron Couch - Dir. of Technology



Chris O'Donnell - Digital Strategist



### Who is Promet?

- **Founded in 2003,** we are a full service web design and development agency with a passion for Drupal, WordPress and open source solutions.
- **Headquartered in Chicago**, we attract talent from around the world, and are adept at leveraging the technologies that drive collaborative excellence.
- Our dedicated support team offers full coverage 24/7.
- We have launched hundreds of Drupal sites since 2009.





### **Thesis**

- Government organizations often have complex data models that do not fit into SAAS solutions such as WIX or Squarespace
- Government organizations often like the drag and drop editing interfaces on WIX or Squarespace like services
- Open source provides the best values, features, outcomes
- Drupal can provide best of both worlds
  - Bespoke content models
  - Drag and Drop content creation



### **Our Example**

We are going to show our strategy for achieving this value using:

- Emulsify
  - Component Driven theme
- Provus
  - Our Drupal kickstarter with reusable components



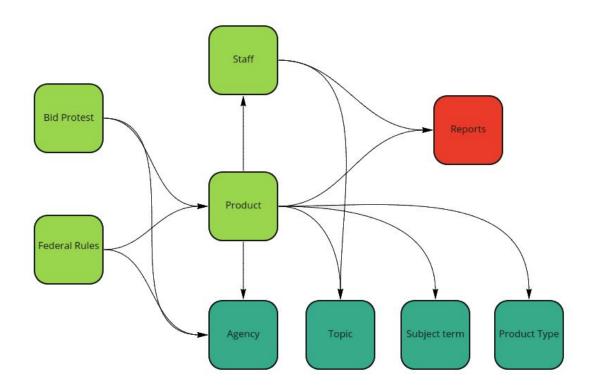
### **Government Agency Needs**

- Improve digital services
- Push more transactions / interactions online
- Do more with less
- Meet increasingly high citizen / customer expectations
- React to changes quickly
- Create Once Publish Everywhere (COPE)





# Some agencies are totally unique (GAO)





### **Agencies with Similar Mandate can be Different**





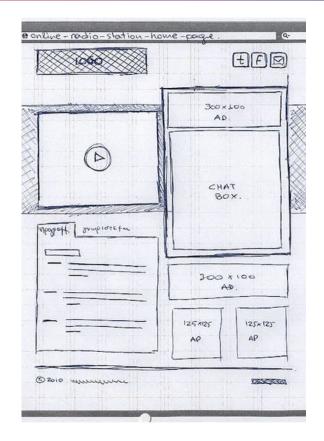
- Parking in Philadelphia has its own agency
- Parking in NYC managed by DOT



### We put the same "things" in most sites

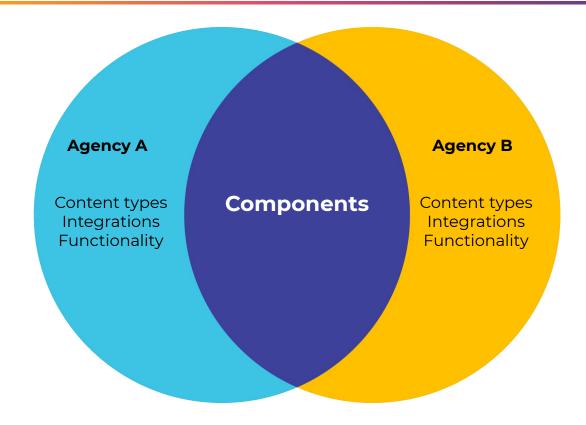
- Media galleries
- Lists of content
- Cards
- Search
- Maps
- Social media

We can call these "components"



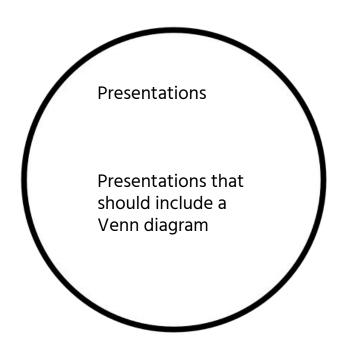


# **Overlap**





# **Obligatory**



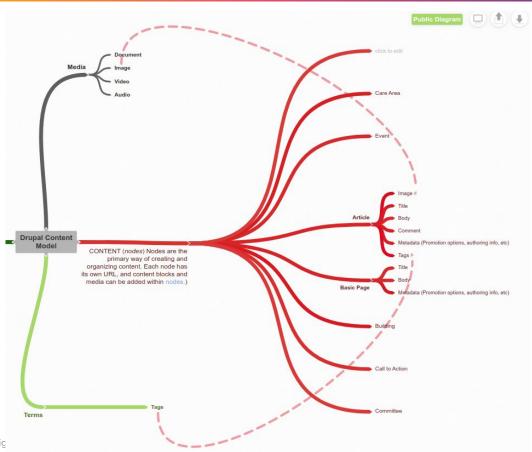


### The Ideal

- Flexible content model that fit government needs
- Reusable components and features
  - Components that can be ready at the start of a project
  - Components that are easily "themable" for organizational brand
  - Components that can easily utilize bespoke content models

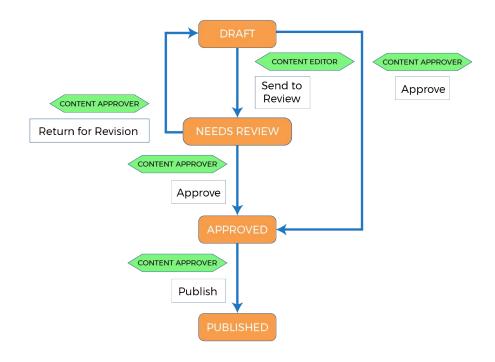


## **Drupal is Great at Content Modeling**





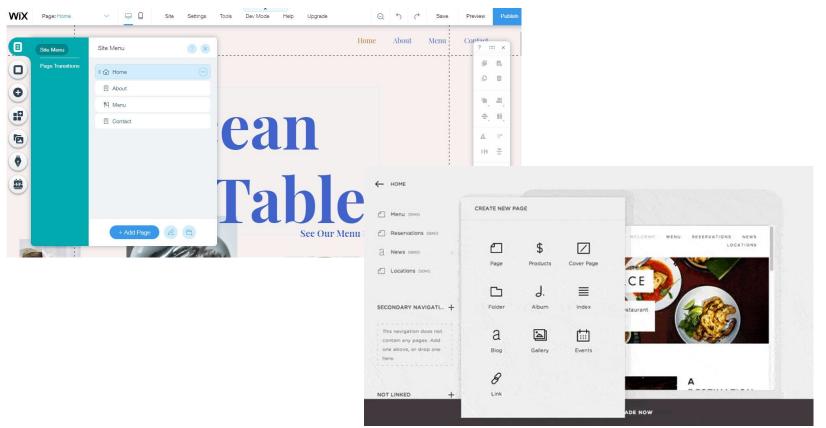
### **Drupal is Great at Users and Workflows**



Different agencies have different needs for content access



## **Click-together Websites Save Time and \$**





# **Click-together Empower Users**

[images of Wix, godaddy]



### **Drupal Can Do Both**

Drupal's CMS features combined with Layout Builder and Component Driven Theming deliver a Wix or Squarespace like site building experience.





# **Our Approach**

Emulsify

Library of Flexible Blocks

Layout Builder

Provus "kickstarter"





### **Emulsify**

Drupal 8+ (and Wordpress) Starter theme

Storybook component library

Supports both Twig and React components





### **Component Driven Theming**

### The problem:

- Brittle CSS and JS
  - Selectors tied to context (where we put it on the page)
  - Selectors tied to backend (paragraphs vs views vs blocks)
- "Theming for the page design"
  - Globals are an anti-pattern
  - What happens when we want to do something the designer didn't desig
- Can't re-use across projects
  - Theme files tied to Drupal implementation



# **Component Driven Theming**

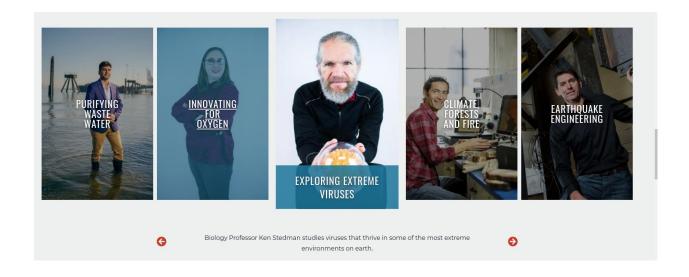
#### The solution:

- Methodology
  - Atomic design
- Isolation
  - Styles namespaced, isolated and limited to one selector
- Tools
  - Storybook component library



### Illustration

### A carousel component:





### **Traditional Drupal Theming**

#### CSS:

/scss/partials/\_paragraphs.scss

#### template:

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#### Javascript:

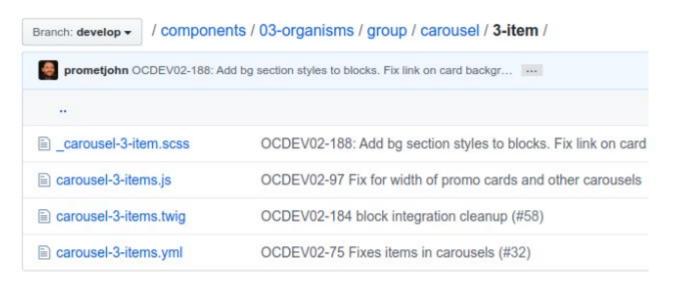
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### **Component Solution**

All of the stuff and things are in one place:





### What Does that Look Like?

In Drupal you are just embedding:

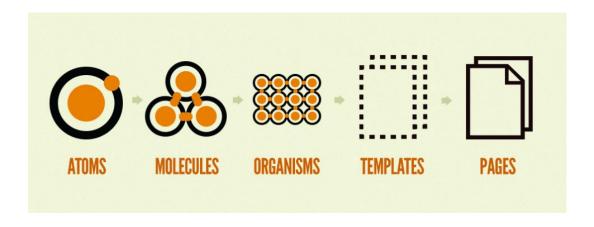
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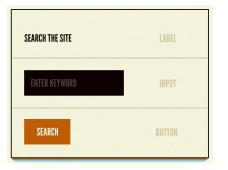
# **Atomic Design**

- Methodology for creating design systems
- http://atomicdesign.bradfrost.com/





# **Atomic Design**





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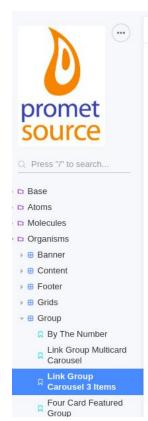
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### Storybook



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#### LINK GROUP CAROUSEL



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### The New Workflow

Front-end dev creates components:





#### molecules



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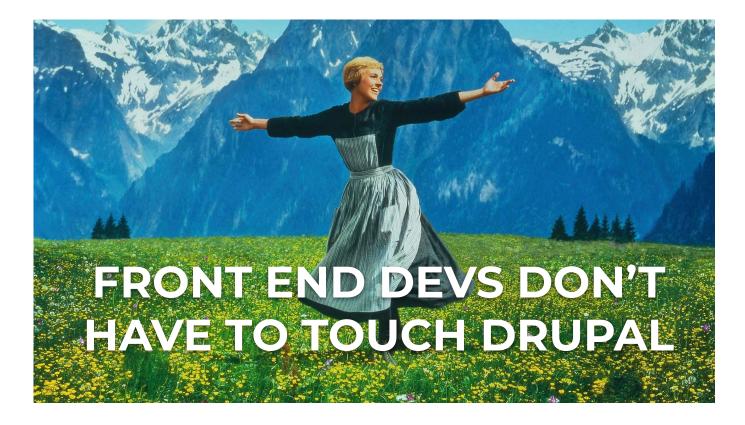


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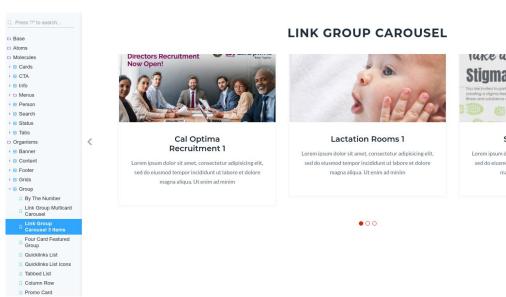
### **New Workflow**





# **QA Right Away**

#### Accessibility and other QA outside of CMS:







### Why Emulsify?

- Component Library "setup"
- Component Library tool (storybook)





https://emulsify.info/



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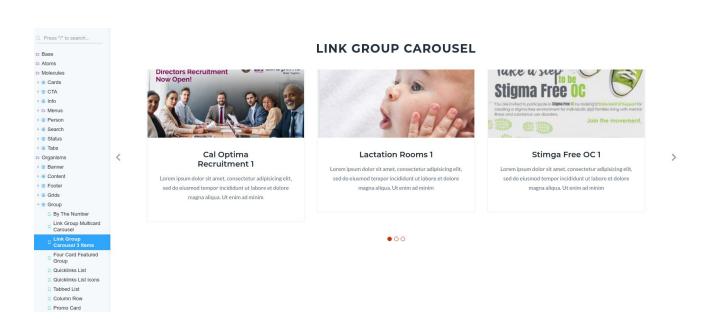
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#### Live preview in Storybook.js:

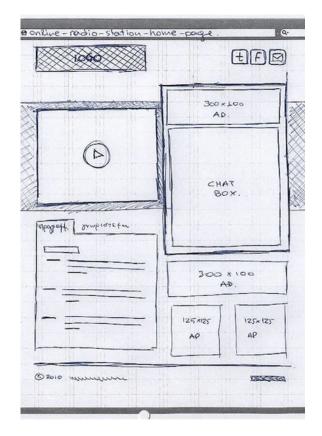




# **Drupal Implementation is Flexible**

We built components not pages

Content editors can place items in contexts that weren't designed for





### Paragraphs vs Blocks

- Blocks
  - In core, less code overhead
  - Can be applied to node edit form like paragraphs
- Paragraphs
  - Currently support better versioning
- Who cares?



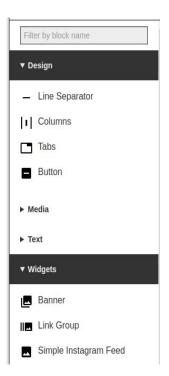
### **Consistent View Modes**

- View modes represent component type
- Applied to all content types
- Consistent field name for media types
  - Avoid "field\_staff\_image" and "field\_event\_image"



# **Layout Builder**







### **Provus**

Open Source "kickstarter"

Packages default components with common content types and features



#### **SOUTHPORT HIGHLIGHTS**





### **Content Model**

Alert

Alerts appear at the top of every page or selected pages.

Article

Use articles for time-sensitive content like news, press releases or blog posts.

Page

Use pages for your static content, such as an 'About us' page.

Event

Events put on or supported by the organization.

FAQ

FAQs provide a question / answer format for common questions.

Landing Page

Use Landing Pages for home pages and other landing pages.

Location

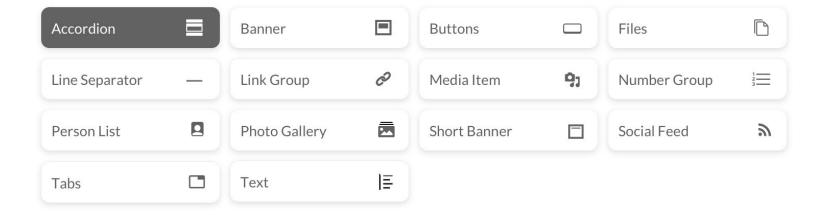
Locations are facilities, buildings, parks or other location based spaces.

Person

A staff member or member of the organization.



# **Provus Component Library**





#### **Demo**

- Pre-recorded walk through of
  - Bespoke page creation
  - Creating a new content type
  - Using new content type with list group



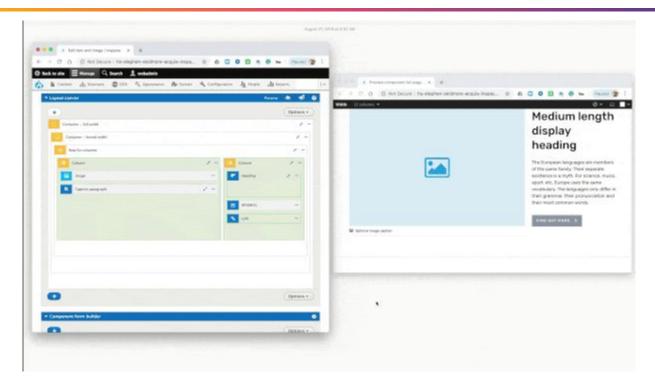
## **Other Examples**

Other similar projects in the Drupal community:

- <u>Site Studio</u>
- Gutenberg
- Varbase
- Others

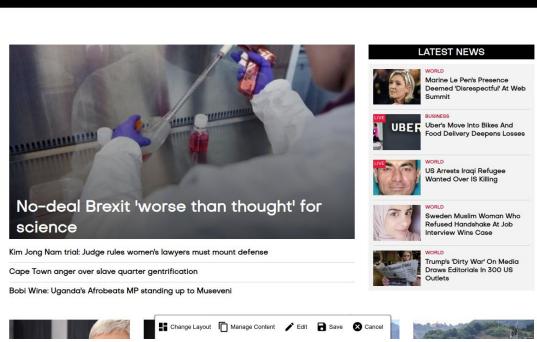


### **Site Studio**



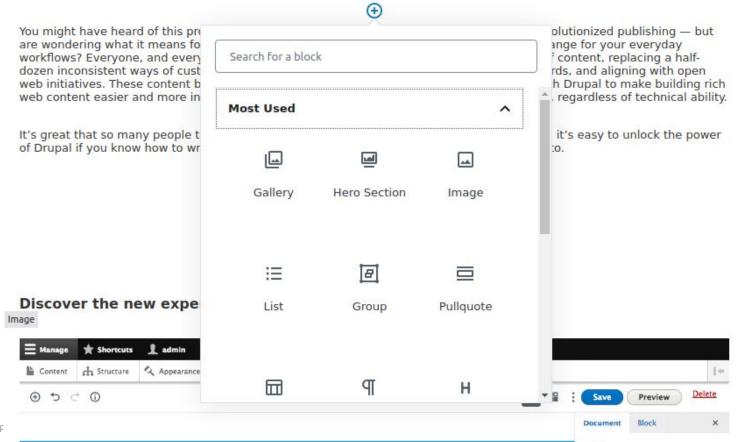


### **Varbase**





### **Drupal Gutenberg**





### **Provus**

- Very close to Drupal core
- Deliver award winning designs (no editing css)
- Flexible content model
- Focus on reusable components
- Early "dev"



#### Resources

- 🍪 Drupal Twig Slack
  - https://drupaltwig-slack.herokuapp.com
  - #storybookjs
  - #components
- List if Drupal Component Resources
  - Resources for Component Based Theming
- Provus
- Emulsify Docs
  - o <a href="https://docs.emulsify.info">https://docs.emulsify.info</a>





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